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Kowloon .....dep.	6.41	8.35	9.15	10.28	12.00	1.18	4.34	5.27	7.09
Yaumati .....dep.	6.51	...	9.25	10.38	12.09	1.27	4.43	5.37	7.20
Shatin .....dep.	7.03	...	9.38	10.50	12.21	1.39	4.55	5.50	7.32
Taipo .....dep.	7.17	...	9.52	11.03	12.34	1.52	5.08	6.03	7.45
Taipo Market ...dep.	7.22	...	9.57	11.08	12.38	1.55	5.12	6.07	7.49
Fanling .....dep.	7.33	...	10.08	11.19	12.48	2.06	5.23	6.17	7.59
Sheung Shui ...dep.	7.38	9.13	10.13	11.23	12.52	2.10	5.27	6.21	8.03
Shum Chun .....arr.	7.44	9.19	10.19	11.29	12.58	2.16	5.33	6.27	8.09

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	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Shum Chun.....dep.	7.22	8.06	9.28	10.37	11.40	2.58	4.36	5.12	6.05
Sheung Shui ...dep.	7.29	8.13	9.34	10.44	11.47	3.05	4.44	5.19	6.12
Fanling .....dep.	7.33	8.18	9.38	10.48	11.51	3.10	4.49	5.23	6.17
Taipo Market ...dep.	7.43	8.29	9.48	10.58	12.02	3.21	5.01	5.33	6.27
Taipo .....dep.	7.47	8.34	10.12	11.03	12.07	3.27	5.08	5.37	6.31
Shatin .....dep.	8.00	8.47	10.25	11.16	12.21	3.40	5.23	5.50	6.44
Yaumati .....dep.	8.14	8.59	10.38	11.28	12.34	3.53	5.37	6.02	6.56
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"When I was at the Bar, my friend, the late Prime Minister, Mr. Asquith, was also at the Bar, and we were in a great many Appeals in the House of Lords against each other, and we had got into the habit of looking for assistance from the authorities at the House of Lords. Our clerks used to telephone down to find out when our cases were coming on, and thereby we were saved hours of time. One day there came a refusal to give us this information by telephone any more, and we took the matter in hand, and we went to the Lord Chancellor. He said, 'How monstrous, no telephone? I will see to that'; but presently there came a communication from the Lord Chancellor that he regretted to say that he found that, notwithstanding his position, he had no authority over the telephones of the House of Lords, and we ought to go to the Clerk of Parliament. We went to him, and he said, 'Monstrous, I will put it right,' but in twenty-four hours there came a message that he had no power, and we should go to the Lord Great Chamberlain. We went to him, and he said, 'Of course, I will see to it,' and from him, too, came a message saying that he had no control.

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COMPULSORY VOTING

EXPERIENCE OF BELGIUM AND OTHER COUNTRIES.

Compulsory voting has been in force in many countries during the past half-century. It was made part of the law in Bulgaria in 1882 (says a writer in the *Political Science Quarterly*); it was passed by the Austrian Empire as a measure upon which the provincial diets might exert "local option," and which had been adopted by some half-dozen of them before the war; it has long existed in a peculiar form in New Zealand; and it was introduced into Baden and Bavaria in 1881. In Bavaria a novel method of penalising the abstainer under certain circumstances was invented. It was laid down that a minimum poll of two-thirds of the total electorate was required; and if this was not obtained the voters who had failed to vote were charged with the expense of a fresh election. The latest converts to the system are Czecho-Slovakia and Holland. Compulsory voting formed part of the important Dutch Electoral Reform Law of 1917; and the negligent or recalcitrant citizen who fails to vote is now brought before the burgomaster and may be subject to the heavy fine of three florins for the first offence and ten florins for each subsequent offence.

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The country where compulsory voting has been most fully enforced is, however, Belgium. After a discussion lasting some years, *le vote obligatoire* was introduced into the Constitution in 1893. The results have been remarkably successful. In 1894, at the elections for the popular chamber, the abstentions were only 5.4 per cent. of the electorate, 7.5 per cent. in 1896, 5.3 per cent. in 1898, and 5.9 per cent. in 1900, and this despite a great widening of the franchise. In fact, the proportion of voters to non-voters is normally higher in Belgium than in any country in Europe, perhaps even than anywhere else in the world.

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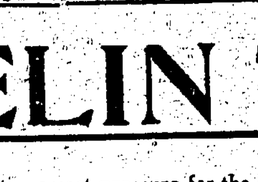

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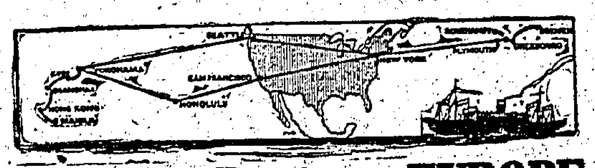

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CHAIRMAN'S ADVICE TO INVESTORS.

The annual ordinary general meeting of the shareholders was held at the Head Office on January 24th. Mr. Walter Leaf (the chairman) presided.

The Chairman, after a review of general conditions during 1923 observed that though the effect of a revival of trade had shown itself rather tardily, yet the evidence of the last quarter of the year was fairly unanimous in speaking of better conditions and hopeful prospects. Not, of course, that the prospect was uniformly rosy. There were several very important industries in which unfortunately it could not be said that the corner had been turned. Alluding to textiles, he said the cotton industry was unfortunately still in a state of depression. Political unrest alike in India and China is in the way of any recovery, and the great rise in the price of raw material has made it impossible to produce the lower description of goods at a price which will bring them within the modest resources of the Oriental peasant. Unfortunately it looks as though the American shortage were likely to continue. A large number of spinners of the lower counts are running their mills at a somewhat serious loss, and the prospects cannot be described as hopeful. Commenting upon the political situation, he said it was piquant and interesting; but for the business man not wholly unsatisfactory. Business wanted to be let alone; we had enough of Government interference during the war, and we had no desire to be made the subjects of rash experiments in economics, whether they took the form of deliberate inflation, protection, or capital levy. And from the fear of such experiments the election had delivered us, probably for a good many years to come. Government, it seemed, would be in the near future be a matter not of rash legislation, but of administration carried on under constant and jealous observation, and subject to short shrift if it overstepped the limits of justice and sanity. That was not a prospect to inspire any serious alarm for the present. There was undoubtedly a feeling of uneasiness abroad—there had been a certain amount of selling of sterling investments in order to buy dollars. This ought not to be. Any pressure to sell British and buy American securities was not merely unpatriotic, but in his opinion very foolish. It might still be within their recollection that shortly before the war there was an active movement for investment in Continental securities, with the idea of evading income tax—dishonestly, of course. Those who adopted this course burnt their fingers badly, and deserved to do so; they might fairly be held up as a warning to those who were contemplating a similar course now. There was no panic at present; there was a certain nervousness among the ranks of amateur investors; but it was the duty of those who were in positions of responsibility to look calmly at the facts, apart from any prejudices of personal or political disappointment and resentment. The convalescence of the country, after the fever of the war was proceeding with all the steadiness for which we could reasonably hope; "the patient is doing as well as can be expected," and the need was, as before, for patience, work, and peace.

The report was unanimously adopted.

RUSSIA'S CURRENCY.

CHANGING TO "HARDCASH."

Moscow, February 5th.

The Government has started the financial reform, as approved by the Congress of Soviets. A Decree was published to-day on the issue of State Treasury notes, saying, in part, that in view of the evident growth of national economy the Soviet Government deems it necessary forthwith to take a number of measures tending to introduce stable currency in smaller denomination than the "chervonetz." (The "chervonetz" is a ten-rouble banknote issued on gold security.) The amount of the issue must be made dependent upon the volume of the market's requirements. These Treasury notes must be accepted for payment by all institutions and individual persons at their face value.

It has been authoritatively learned from the Commissariat of Finance that the new Treasury notes will be issued gradually, in a measure called for by the requirements of the commercial exchange. The so-called "Soviet paper money" will for the time being remain in circulation pending their redemption by the Government and the issue, in their place, of small silver and copper currency. So as to avoid an eventual crisis of change money during the transition to hard cash, it is proposed to issue one-, three-, and five-gold rouble notes. The amount of new issues is to be fixed at the beginning of each month and is to be strictly limited. Small paper notes of from one to five gold popooks are likewise to be issued.—*Rosta News Agency.*

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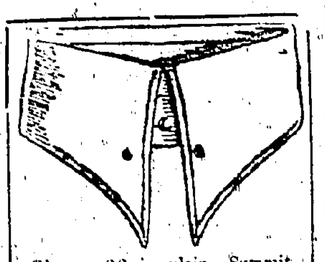

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AN EXPLANATION OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

While the recent short-lived strike was threatening the British railway companies gave wide-spread publicity to the following statement:—

The Railway Companies consider it desirable in the public interest to state briefly their position with reference to the present trouble with the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen.

In November last the National Wages Board were called upon to consider an application from the Railway Companies for a reduction of wages. The claim put in by the Railway Companies represented a reduction in their Wages Bill of £3,000,000 per annum. In December the National Wages Board issued its decision conceding reductions approximating to £500,000 per annum, to be brought into force as from the third full pay-week in January.

The National Wages Board includes representatives of the Railway Companies and of the Railway Trade Unions, together with outside representatives of employers, of the Trade Union Congress, and of the Co-operative Union, under the Chairmanship of Sir Wm. Mackenzie, President of the Industrial Court. The case was exhaustively considered, and the decision was signed by all members of the Board.

Decisions of the Board are not obligatory, but it is evident that if all parties signatory thereto are not prepared to carry them out, the whole machinery of negotiation, established under the Railways Act of 1921 at the joint instance of the men and the Companies becomes unworkable. The Railway Companies had stated from the outset that they were prepared to abide by the decision whatever it might be. The National Union of Railway men and the Railway Clerks' Association have accepted the decision. The Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen refuse to accept it, although their representatives on the National Wages Board were signatories to it.

In these circumstances the Railway Companies have no alternative but to apply the decision from the date fixed. Any other course would be tantamount to an abandonment of the principle of settlement by the approved machinery, and would be fatal to the prospects of collective bargaining in the future. The Railway Companies have reason to believe that this view is strongly held by the Unions who have accepted the decision.

It has been alleged that the acceptance of the decision will lead to extensive demanding and dismissal of staff. There is nothing in the decision which in any way warrants this statement, and the suggestion is wholly without foundation.

It was further stated that heavy reductions of wages will be involved in the case of drivers at present working on what is known as the mileage basis, and that large numbers of these men will have their wages reduced by as much as 22s. 6d. a week. Such statements are misleading.

Out of 36,000 drivers, only 2,400 receive payment on the mileage basis, and the average reduction of wages in the case of these men is 7s. 5d. a week. Only 48 drivers will suffer the maximum reduction of 22s. 6d. a week, and the total earnings of these men will average £6 12s. 5d. a week even after the reduction has taken effect.

It is always possible that the application of a decision affecting large numbers of men may involve cases of individual hardship. It is well known to all railwaymen that the Companies are at all times prepared to look into such hard cases, and that machinery exists for bringing them before the management and getting them dealt with. The acceptance of the decision of the National Wages Board by the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen will not in any way prejudice the right of the men to bring forward any instances of hardship which they desire the Companies to consider.

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General Hsiao Yao-nan, Tuchun of Hupeh, has reported to Peking that for the purpose of constructing municipal works in the provincial capital, the Wuchang Municipality has signed a draft agreement with a British financial corporation of London, through its representative in Hankow, for a loan of fifty million dollars, Chinese currency, under the following conditions:—

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In spite of this precaution, some Hupeh Senators and Representatives are agitating against the loan, and some of the anti-Government members have even returned to Wuchang and Hankow with the object of obstructing the passage of the loan agreement by the Hupeh Provincial Assembly.—*Asiatic News Agency.*

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MURDER OF FATHER SOENEN.

AMAZING DETAILS OF MISSION LIFE IN SUIYUAN.

CROSS PROTECTED BY THE SWORD.

PEKING, February 21st.

A firm denial of the charges made in connection with the murder of the Belgian Father Soenan has come from a fellow priest in Suiyuan, whose name and mission station for obvious reasons is withheld. It is an interesting commentary on the situation in the Special Area and touches on the capture of Father Van Pret, whose release on February 15th, was reported to Peking yesterday.

The letter says: "We have received at our mission the issue of the *China Press* of January 27th, in which we are struck by the statement that the murder of Father Soenen, on Christmas Day, is attributed by some falsehood to his own "scenarians." This charge against our Christians is followed by a general statement suspecting the victim himself and his fellow-missionaries of deading in arms.

"The delegates sent from Peking, to Hwei Hon Ting and Paotowchen were unanimous in saying that the murderers started from a distance of 90 *li's* from Hokiao. They recognised after enquiring, that the four men who penetrated the residence were military men in disguise.

"They stated too that, after committing the crime, the men joined the remnants of their disbanded company in Kwa Toung Hao, with their booty, viz., horse and carriages, 38 guns (some being hunting guns) and one Mauser. These arms and munitions were in the residence for the occasional protection of the Church, the residence and the Christian community, the whole village having at different times been in danger before, and not sufficiently guaranteed by the local authorities. The present case is proof of this last statement.

"As for the authors of the false report, we do not care for them. We do not accuse anybody, but it is our duty to defend the Church and the victim, one of the most zealous missionaries, against calumny and slander.

"We know, however, that the crime has been slowly prepared by the incapacity, the inaction and the extortions of the local authorities of Ku Yang Hsien.

As for the presence of arms and munitions in this residence, we invite the persons who should long for further particulars to the "Brousse" of Suiyuan itself. When turning back to the coast-cities (if they ever come back), they may tell you that here arms and munitions are not sufficient for the protection of the Christian communities, but that even fortifications had to be constructed around the principal mission-stations, at the cost of thousands of Taels, where the missionaries take refuge in such time as we pass now.

"The whole country has been in the hands of bandits for about two months. Up to now three residences were plundered, in one place (Terisou), the missionary, Father Van Praet, was present without arms and munitions, and was carried off by the bandits on January 19th, and is still in their hands.

"For a few days he had as a fellow-prisoner Dr. Thompson (who had no arms and munitions!), who luckily escaped!

"Last week another residence (Oukiunjouyanotze) was sacked and there were neither arms or munitions found!

"Most of the residences are abandoned, as Mgr. Van Dyck issued an order calling the most exposed missionaries to the central residence in which they are safe owing to a surrounding wall and to the continual watching of the Christians."
—*Chung Mei.*

THE EIGHTH WONDER.

SENSATIONAL FIRE WALKING IN FIJI.

One of the wonders of the world is the spectacle of the natives of the island of Benga, in the Fiji group, walking on fire. It is not yet been ascertained how these people can walk on the almost red hot stones and escape any hurt at all.

One morning recently a party of residents and tourists set out in the little steamer *Matuna* to see the Benga natives give an exhibition of fire walking. This privilege is only available once every three or four years, and when the opportunity offers is eagerly availed of. Hundreds of natives were found waiting to welcome the visitors, who were carried ashore, and on reaching terra firma found the rara or village square surrounded by neat stalls, quite like a civilised bazaar. It then appeared that the natives were really holding a bazaar to raise funds to build a school for their children. After lunch the crowd started for the fire-walking site, which was found to be quite modern. In a small amphitheatre there was a hole some 12 or 14 feet in diameter filled with large stones. On top of the stones was heaped a huge pile of kindling and firewood, which was set on fire and burned vigorously. The hot ashes were carefully raked off with long poles, until not one ash remained. The natives seemed very particular about this part. When all was ready there was a whoop shout, and from some bushes where they were hidden, dashed some eight or nine natives, gay in their best gala or meke dress.

Amid great excitement they went to the hot oven, for it could have cooked an ox, so hot were the stones. They gravely paced round the stones, and then ran off, and, gathering armfuls of branches of green bushes, threw them on the stones. Immediately a dense smoke arose, and into this dashed the fire walkers. They squatted in the furnace, and sang songs, while their relations all around the circle chanted weirdly to the beat of the native drums or lalis. Then the "fire eaters" again walked all over the bushes. Even at this stage when a cloth was held over the hot stones it crumpled into ashes in a flash, although held some 3ft. above the stones. It was a most impressive sight, and not one soon to be forgotten.

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[BEFORE HIS HONOUR THE PUISNE JUDGE (MR. JUSTICE COMPERTZ)].

RUSTICS USED AS TOOLS.

The case in which two old Chinese from the New Territories who were tried and found "Guilty" the other day of having in their unlawful possession revolvers and a number of rounds of ammunition was again brought up yesterday. His Lordship deferred sentence in order that the two rustics might have a chance of giving further information to the Police on the matter.

The Crown Solicitor said that the view the Police had formed was that advantage was taken of the appearance of these two old country people in order to get them to carry the arms. They were used as "tools."

Questioned by his Lordship the first prisoner said he was a ploughman and 58 years of age. The other man gave his age as 56.

His Lordship said he would take into consideration their age and sentenced them to 2 years' hard labour each.

A BAD START.

YOUTH SMARTLY SENTENCED.

Ng Kwan was indicted for taking part in a robbery by two or more at a house in Yaumati when eight pieces of clothing and $1.5 in money were stolen. The second count was an alternative one—that of stealing in a dwelling house with menaces.

Mr. Dyer Ball, prosecuting, said that on the 13th January the prisoner was in No. 17, Mau Lam Street, ground floor, with two others, and when the master of the floor left the premises early in the morning the prisoner was alleged to have gone to a brothel and procured the assistance of two men to come and rob the floor. The prisoner was said to have actually gone back to the house and let in the robbers by the back entrance. He then ran out of the premises and left the robbers to complete the robbery.

Mr. Ball pointed out that even though the prisoner did not take an actual part in the robbery his actions, if they were proved, made him liable to be charged with the actual offence.

Evidence was called and the Jury returned a verdict of "Guilty."

His Lordship ordered the prisoner to be sent to prison for two years and that he receive 15 strokes of the "cat."

The Jurors were: Messrs. S. Musso, D. E. Donnelly, W. H. Peters, J. A. Gonsalves, A. Dransfield, T. R. Rennett and F. L. Cooke.

ANOTHER YOUNG ROBBER SENTENCED.

As a sequel to a recent armed robbery at Yaumati a Chinese was indicted in the afternoon for having taken part in a robbery by two or more at No. 26, Lai Chi Kok Road on January 26th.

The Crown Solicitor, in opening the case for the Crown, said that four armed men appeared through the trap door of No. 56, Lai Chi Kok Road. There were only women in the house. The robbers got away with $30 worth of loot. Later on, in consequence of what they heard the police visited a house in Shanghai Street and the prisoner there gave to Inspector Murphy some pawn tickets, one of which referred to a ring pawned by the prisoner and which was identified by one of the victims of the robbery as her property. The women could not identify the prisoner as one of the robbers.

Evidence bearing out this was called. The woman stated that the cubicle they were in was badly lighted and they could not recognise any of the robbers.

The prisoner denied that he was one of the robbers and also denied making a statement which the prosecution said was made by the prisoner at the Police Station.

The Jury found the prisoner "Guilty" and his Lordship sentenced him to four years' hard labour and 15 strokes of the "cat."

"A CASE OF SOME SIMPLICITY."

Three Chinese were charged with being in unlawful possession of arms. All pleaded "not guilty" and were defended by Mr. N. L. Brewer.

The Crown Solicitor, in outlining the case for the prosecution, said that early on January 6th last the police were conducting a search aboard the s.s. *Hanoi*, then about to proceed from Hongkong to southern ports. Entering a cabin they found three men—the prisoners—sitting on their berths. The first, on being searched, was found to have two loaded magazines in his pockets. A search of the second prisoner's bunk revealed four

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automatic pistols and four revolvers, all loaded, and in a box under the berth were 42 rounds of ammunition. In a tea basket belonging to the third prisoner were discovered three loaded revolvers. In all there were seven revolvers, four automatics and 126 rounds of ammunition recovered from the cabin. When charged, all prisoners made statements to the effect that they were conveying the arms and ammunition to Kwong Chow Wan for sale.

Corroborative evidence was given by police officials.

Counsel for the prisoners said he would submit that the arms were placed in the cabin by a fourth party, possibly a confederate.

The Puisne Judge intimated that prisoners were charged with possession, and that such a plea was not in accordance with the law.

The first prisoner, from the witness-box, asserted that the arms were brought on by a woman. He said he knew it was wrong to bring arms into Hongkong.

His Lordship, in summing up, said the case was one of some simplicity. The first prisoner knew the arms were to be placed there and on that evidence the duty of the Jury was clear, and the case could not be simpler. If a man took a parcel out of the Colony and could later establish he knew nothing of what it contained then other considerations arose. In this case the prisoner knew the arms were there. The duty of the Jury was clear. The men were in possession and should be found "Guilty."

A verdict to that effect was returned.

His Lordship: It looks like a case of preparation for piracy.

The Crown Solicitor: Yes, my Lord.

The prisoners were sentenced to ten years' hard labour and 20 strokes of the "cat."

AUCTION OF RACE PONIES.

CHINESE LARGEST PURCHASERS.

Fifty-five ponies, most of which have participated either in the recent annual race meeting or at Gymkhana meetings, were auctioned at the Hongkong Jockey Club Stables by Messrs. Hughes and Hough, yesterday. Prices realized ranged between $15 and $370, Mr. John Peel's well known Yellow River going to Mr. H. P. White for the latter figure. Mrs. Bernard's Speargrass fetched $350, though Cottongrass only went as high as $205. Mr. R. J. Wilton's Arizona, a 1924 griffin, which came in second in the Lusitano Cup at the annual Races, was purchased by Mr. A. A. Alves for $300. A few ponies realized over $100 each, but a great many changed hands at prices between $30 and $70. Mr. Dowbiggin bought a few for the Mounted Infantry Section of the local Volunteers. Two Chinese—Hoo Poo, a local cinematograph magnate, and Leung Ping, from Canton—were the largest purchasers, though much of the "stuff" could very well be described as "rough." Among the ponies in the auction which were known to the racing public were Dick Whittington ($45), Peter Pan ($50), Loch Katrine ($70), Masu ($70), Mountain Eagle ($35), Dandy Kid ($50), and Mountain Hawk (bought in at $170). Two ponies fetched but $15 each, namely Tangalooma and Quartz, both unraced subscription griffins and both purchased by Leung Ping.

Bidding throughout the auction was confined to about half a dozen persons.

The ponies sold were as follows:—

Georgeous Dahlia, to Mr. Rock, $60.
Roman Bay, to Mr. J. H. Bowen, $30.
Eclipse Dahlia, to Mr. J. H. Bowen, $35.
Leander Dahlia, to Hoo Poo, $30.
Hepatite, to Leung Ping, $30.
Inca, to Mr. Hamilton, $45.
Blossom Dahlia, to Hoo Poo, $40.
Hurry Off, to Leung Ping, $35.
Dollar Bill, to Leung Ping, $20.
Tangalooma, to Leung Ping, $15.
Aladdin, to Mr. Hikadi, $30.
Ali Baba, to Mr. Hikadi, $60.
Dick Whittington, to Mr. Peel, $45.
Peter Pan, to Mr. Peel, $50.
Loch Lomond, to Mr. Bowen, $30.
Loch Spey, to Leung Ping, $25.
Loch Nagar, to Hoo Poo, $60.
Loch Katrine, to Mr. Birkett, $70.
Skylight, to Mr. Ronullon, $60.
What-to-do, bought in at $25.
Arabestan, to Hoo Poo, $50.
Goulistan, to Leung Ping, $40.
Violet Leaf, to Hoo Poo, $100.
Tea Leaf, to Hoo Poo, $45.
Yellow River, to Mr. H. P. White, $370.
Shu River, to Mr. Stanton, $65.
Speargrass, to Mr. Rock, $350.
Cottongrass, to Mr. A. E. Alves, $205.
Masu, to Hoo Poo, $70.
Sharpshooter, to Hoo Poo, $45.
Mountain Eagle, to Mr. Rock, $35.
Ding Dong, to Leung Ping, $35.
Dandy Kid, to Mr. Dowbiggin, $50.
Idealist, to Mr. Dowbiggin, $45.
Arizona, to Mr. A. A. Alves, $300.
Maine, to Mr. Ronullon, $35.
Podya, to Mr. Dowbiggin, $40.
Mountain Hawk, bought in at $170.
Arabian Star, to Hoo Poo, $60.
Ping Pong (late Roman Warrior) to Mr. Stanton, $60.
Silvo, to Hoo Poo, $40.
Dempsey, to Mr. Gutierrez, $50.
A chestnut polo pony, to Mr. Dowbiggin, $45.
Kangaroo II., to Hoo Poo, $45.
Wallaby II., to Leung Ping, $45.
Mosaic Tile, to Hoo Poo, $55.
Prairie Star, bought in for $120.
Fox Bar, to Hoo Poo, $60.
Chuhlo, to Leung Ping, $40.
Unusual, to Hoo Poo, $50.
Darjeeling, to Leung Ping, $35.
Oh Crikey, to Hoo Poo, $70.
Quartz, to Leung Ping, $15.

THE MAGIC OF A SMELL.

A CROWD IN ICE HOUSE STREET.

Ice House Street was agog throughout yesterday morning. Not an unusual condition, but on this occasion the excitement seethed, not around the Stock Exchange, but on the opposite side of the road. From 9.30 a.m. until after midday an extraordinarily large crowd was in evidence, and their attention was held the whole time. All rickshas and chairs, as well as foot passengers passing into the street, paused, at least for a while, at the magic spot. The gathering was, at all times, a sedate one, and the people stood there as if witnessing some solemn ritual. They were. They were watching two European excise officers superintending the disposal of the contents of eight barrels. And as amber-coloured liquid gurgled from the barrels into the wayside drains, a sweet aroma swept up and down. Ice House Street smelt sweeter than when all the brokers appear with button holes. As the scent struck the nostrils it brought back palate-tickling memories of little country inns and small-town bar parlours. It confirmed the truth of Kipling's vivid lines:

"Smells are mightier than sights or sounds
To make your heartstrings crack!"

For what that crowd of sad-eyed, open-mouthed rubbernecks were witnessing was the disappearance of eight barrels of perfectly good—though contraband—beer.

THE "LEAP YEAR" BALL.

LIVELY S.P.C.A. GATHERING AT CITY HALL.

The S.P.C.A. fancy dress ball develops into a livelier affair every year. The latest—held last night at the City Hall—certainly surpassed that of last year, and the latter was indeed a gay function. Merriment was added this year by reason of the fact that it is Leap Year. The energetic committee seized the opportunity and introduced a number "leap year dances." In these the usual procedure of the gentleman asking the lady's favour was reversed, with laughable results. The ball turned out to be one of the brightest of the season. Most of the participants were in fancy dress, many striking and original, and many, alas, of the stereotyped pierrot and pierette pattern.

The organisers had done their work well, and in this connection the activities of Mr. Keith, who was responsible for the entire decorative effect, deserve praise. A big black tom cat, accompanied by a couple of "bows" (females, of course) met one on the landing of the grand staircase, and above this tableau was a well-devised illustration of a dog appealing for more members for the S.P.C.A. There were lots of other animals about. The Hongkong Jazz Band provided the music for the six hundred guests, among whom were H.E. the Governor and Lady Stubbs, Sir John and Lady Fowler, Hon. Sir Claud Severn, Hon. Mr. Holyoak, and Commodore and the Misses Grace.

The two principal committees responsible for the undoubted success of the ball were composed of the following:

Ladies' Committee: Mrs. H. E. Pollock, Mrs. R. M. Dyer, Mrs. R. Baker, Mrs. P. P. J. Wodehouse, Mrs. Van Ufford and Mrs. H. R. Remington.

Dance Committee: Messrs. A. H. K. Cobb, M. M. Watson, H. Owen Hughes, T. G. Bennett, J. T. Prior, C. A. Middleton Smith, S. H. Ross, W. R. Mansfield, O. Skinner (Treasurer) and B. L. Frost (Hon. Secretary).

HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

The last very successful concert of this society in December, 1923, will be fresh in most minds, and many of the musical public of Hongkong will be looking forward to the concert which has been fixed to take place in the City Hall at 9.15 p.m. on Saturday, the 8th March, 1924.

The Society unfortunately will not have the benefit of the services of Mr. Temple Bevan as Conductor, as he is shortly leaving the Colony on leave. But Mr. S. Collett has taken over the baton and from what we have seen of his work as conductor of the Hongkong Male Voice Choir, we believe that the forthcoming concert will be no less successful than the last.

The programme includes Sir Charles Villiers Stanford's fine work "The Revenge" for Chorus and Orchestra; Dr. Bishop's "Enough and Grow"; part songs by Edward German, Rutland, Boughton, Temple Bevan, and others, as well as an interesting selection of solos, trio, quartet, etc.

Rehearsals are progressing well and an excellent concert is promised for the 29th March, which date all those interested would do well to book up in their diaries right away.

Further particulars will be announced in due course.

SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

The following matches have been arranged for to-day:—

HONGKONG LEAGUE.

Division I.

(Kick-off at 4.45 p.m.)

Hongkong Club v. East Surrey Regt., Hongkong Club ground. Referee: Smith.

South China v. Kowloon, Sookunpoo "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Hollands.

Hongkong Police v. H.M.S. *Despatch*, Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Wakeman.

R.G.A. v. H.M.S. *Ambrose*, Navy "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Tovey.

Division II.

(Kick-off at 3.15 p.m.)

South China "A" v. Club de Recreio, Sookunpoo "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Collins.

St. Joseph's v. South China "B," St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Fairburn.

Filipino Club v. *Titania* Reserves, Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Wakeham.

Sacred Heart v. H.M.S. *Iriquois*, South China ground. Referee: Mr. Bailey.

R.G.A. Reserves v. University, Hongkong Club ground. Referee: Mr. Smith.

KOWLOON F.C. v. SOUTH CHINA.

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon Football Club to-day, in their 1st division League match, v. South China, on the Sookunpoo "A" ground, kick-off at 4.45 p.m.:—A. Duncan; F. Wheeler and T. Knight; A. Turner, J. McKelvie and H. Wheeler; A. Latham, M. Howarth, H. Howarth, H. Roberts, R. Nash and K. A. Mason. Reserve: C. E. Millard.

JAPAN AND THE SINGAPORE BASE.

EX-NAVAL MINISTER'S VIEWS.

HUMAN NATURE TO RESENT SINGAPORE BASE.

That the decision of the British Government to reconsider the Singapore naval base and not to incur further expense in that connection in the meawhile is well received in Japan, is indicated in the interview given *The Japan Advertiser* by Admiral T. Takarabe, Minister of the Navy in the recent Yamamoto Cabinet.

"The announcement," said Admiral Takarabe, "is welcome news to all who are sincerely interested in the promotion of world peace, even though it is premature to conclude from this alone that the proposition will be definitely abandoned. A final decision on so great a problem can be taken only after careful study of the revelant facts from various angles of view.

"This announcement gives evidence that Great Britain does not entertain any prospect of hostilities with her former ally, who has given much in return for the aid England gave Japan while she was fighting her way up to the front rank of the Powers of the world.

"It would be hypocritical to say that Japan would not feel a vague sort of menace from the building of the Singapore base, even if it could be positively proved that England was not taking Japan into consideration as her possible imaginary enemy.

Certainly it would be wrong to say that England planned the scheme solely because she feared a future conflict with this Empire. The supporters of the scheme must have looked forward to a future general situation in Asia, to a day when some emergency should arise in the Pacific with well nigh any Power in the world.

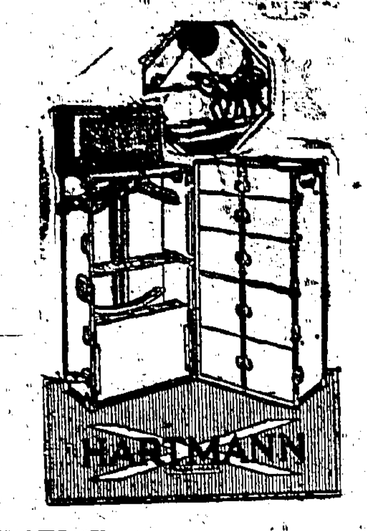
But as Japan is the only country with headquarters in this section of the world, there is a natural tendency on her part to interpret a plan of this kind as directed expressly against herself. This may be stupid, but it is human nature. In that sense, I am glad to hear the official announcement to reconsider the scheme."

THE GREAT WALL OF CHINA.

According to astronomers, the only work of man's hands which would be visible to the human eye from the moon is the Great Wall of China, writes Mr. H. J. Shepstone, F.R.G.S., in *Great Thoughts*. Some idea of the size of this stupendous construction may be gained from the calculation that if the materials of which it was built were used to encircle the globe at the Equator, they would be sufficient to form a barrier eight feet high and three feet thick. A well-known engineer has declared that there are more bricks and stones in this single structure than in all the buildings in the United Kingdom. Unlike most of the other famous works of antiquity, the Great Wall of China was built for a utilitarian purpose, to keep out the babarous Huns from the north. To-day it would be useless against modern artillery, though for many generations it certainly did fulfil the object for which it was conceived. It starts at Shanhaikwan, on the sea coast, and runs in a westerly direction to distant Kanu. With its twists and turns it is over 2,000 miles in length, and if placed in a straight line it would reach all the way from London to Alexandria, in Egypt.

INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY.

Mr. Raphael Herman, a Detroit industrial magnate, has made a gift of $1,000,000 (over £200,000) for the establishment of an international university at Brussels.



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Hongkong, March 1st, 1924. [423

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 1st March, 1924. [423

RICKMERS LINIE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"RAVENROCK"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, To-day.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 6th March.

All claims must be presented within fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th March, will be subject to rent.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned.

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having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed and placed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th of March, 1924, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas on the 7th March, 1924, at 10 a.m.

All Claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned before the 10th March, 1924, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JOHN MANNERS & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 29th February, 1924. [420

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS, LTD.

FROM LEITH, MIDDLESBRO', ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

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CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., whence, and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 4th March, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 12th March, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 4th March, at 10 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD
Agents.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1924. [413

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER "PADUA."

ARRIVED HONGKONG ON 27TH FEB., 1924.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORTSAID, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed AT THEIR RISK in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions have been given to the contrary six hours before arrival of the steamer.

Goods not cleared within 8 days, including date of arrival will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS, at 10 A.M., on Mondays and Thursdays.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the Steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.,
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Hongkong, 27th February, 1924. [418

INTIMATIONS

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Offices, ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, on MONDAY, 3RD MARCH, 1924, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1923, and electing Directors and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 23rd February to 3rd March, 1924, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1924. [347

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

THE THIRTY FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, ST. GEORGE'S BUILDINGS, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 4TH MARCH, 1924, at 11 o'CLOCK in the FORENOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Account and Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1923, and declaring a Dividend.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Tuesday, the 19th February, 1924, until Tuesday, the 4th day of March, 1924, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
General Managers.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1924. [346

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of Messrs. DODWELL & Co., LTD., on THURSDAY the 6TH MARCH, 1924, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1923.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23nd February, to 6th March, 1924, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.
General Managers.

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NOTICE OF CALL.

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For and on behalf of the
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S. COURTNEY COOK,
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Dated the 22nd day of February, 1924. [415

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By Order of the Court of Directors,

A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1924. [397

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By Order of the Board of Directors,

JOHN ARNOLD,
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Hongkong, 19th February, 1924. [385

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CHASSELS—MARTIN.—At Union Church, Shanghai, on February 28th, THOMAS RAE CHASSELS to MARGARET MUIR MARTIN. [424

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London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 1st, 1924.

THE ARMS IMPORT INTO CHINA.

WE see that Mr. LENNOX SIMPSON ("PUTNAM WEALE"), who is one of the Advisers of the Chinese Government, has been telling an audience in Peking that "unless public opinion forces a proper direction of affairs, there will be a big clash this year, a clash greater even than the Boxer Rising." We can well believe it, for there is obviously more warrant for this prediction than the mere prognostications of the official astronomers or fortune-tellers, who, because this is the commencement of a cycle of sixty years, say that this will be a year of revolution—that is to say of war on a very much larger scale than the provincial wars from which China has been suffering so much during the past year or two. The expected conflict between the Fengtion and the Chihli forces may lend verisimilitude to the prediction. The Chinese Press is frequently publishing statements which point to an early clash. There is no secrecy about the military preparations that are being made in China, and notably by Marshal CHANG TSO-LIN. It may be recalled that in 1919 after the abortive Peace Conference in Shanghai with the object of re-uniting China, the suggestion was made to the Diplomatic Body by the American Minister that the Powers should put an embargo upon the export of arms to China. That suggestion resulted in an agreement by the major Powers, and in a Note to the Chinese Foreign Office embodying the substance of this agreement the Doyen wrote: "The Diplomatic Body, in considering the present state of disunion between the North and South in China, have been impressed by the fact that the continued possibility of importing military arms and ammunition from abroad could not but exercise a disturbing influence, and as the friendly Powers here represented are firmly determined to discountenance any condition or action which might favour a reversion to hostilities. . . . The Governments of Great Britain, Spain, Portugal, Brazil, France and Japan, have agreed effectively to restrain their subjects and citizens from exporting to or importing into China arms and munitions of war and material destined exclusively for their manufacture until the establishment of a Government whose authority is recognised throughout the whole country, and also to prohibit during the above period the delivery of arms and munitions for which contracts have already been made but not executed." Now it is obvious that if that agreement had been religiously adhered to by all the Powers, including those not mentioned above, China would have worn a much more peaceful aspect since then than has been, unfortunately, the case. So far as Great Britain and America are concerned, the restraint would appear to have been effective, but arms and ammunition have been pouring into China from some foreign countries with the result that the great supplies now in the country immensely increase the difficulties of re-establishing permanent peace. In this connection we notice in a Tientsin contemporary a protest, on a lament, from a correspondent who is either a British subject or an American citizen, that the law which has prevented him from accepting lucrative contracts offered to him for arsenal equipment is not of universal application. He mentions a contract given by the Mukden Authorities to a Danish firm for "one of the most complete arsenal plants ever sold any where in China," and another given by the Shensi Authorities to a German firm for a plant "comprising minting equipment to mint three hundred thousand copper coins per twelve hours; to make twenty five thousand cartridges of three different specifications during the same period, and to have power plant of a sufficient capacity to light the city of Sianfu." The writer says that both these contracts were offered to him and he complains that "in the interests of British firms it seems grossly unfair that other nationals should be allowed to tender for plant or material when such business is denied to our firms who need the work just as badly as others." There is no gainsaying that it is "grossly unfair," and we could wish that the inevitable results of this import of munitions would affect only the offenders in this respect among the Foreign Powers; but it is certain that there will be no such discrimination and the Powers with the biggest interests are certain to suffer most. Is it still too late to convince all the Powers of the folly of supplying the Chinese militarists with the munitions of war which are being used to the detriment of foreign trade and commerce, and may possibly be used before long to the danger of foreign life and property in China on a scale which will make the bandit outrages of the past year appear insignificant? It surely is a matter that demands the serious attention of all the Powers interested in China. It is impossible in the present state of affairs to look to the Chinese Government to exercise an effective embargo. When the arsenal equipment for Mukden was landed at Newchwang in the autumn of 1922 it was brought into port escorted by CHANG's own gunboats! And we suppose other War Lords exercise, where necessary, similar precautions.

Mr. A. H. White has been admitted a partner in the firm of Messrs. Douglas, Lapraik & Co.

H.E. the Rt. Hon. Sir Charles Eliot was the guest for a week, during his visit to Hongkong, of the Chief Justice and Lady Rees-Davies.

A Chinese who resented a street game of chess being broken up by a police constable was remanded yesterday on charges of disorderly conduct and assault.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd Derflinger and the Hamburg-American line *Oldenburg* were among the vessels which arrived in port yesterday carrying passengers and freight.

Two brothers were remanded at the Magistracy yesterday on charges of stealing and receiving two imitation fur caps. The younger brother is alleged to have stolen them from the shop where he is employed, whilst the elder is alleged to have attempted to pawn them.

The name of the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak was inadvertently omitted from the list of members present at the Legislative Council on Thursday published in our yesterday's issue.

A Chinese grave digger, after murdering his wife and son, cut his throat on Thursday morning. The tragedy took place at 24, Chin Shui, Ma Tai, a small village above Shaukiwan. The murderer has succumbed to his injuries.

The schedule for the 1924 Flower and Vegetable Show under the auspices of the Hongkong Horticultural Society is published. The entries closed last Wednesday, and the show is fixed for Thursday next on the Volunteer Parade Ground. There are 149 classes of exhibits in the schedule.

Sir Frederick James, K.B.E., C.M.G., Colonial Secretary of the Straits Settlements, whose appointment as Governor of the Windward Islands was recently announced, is leaving Singapore for home by the *Hakozaki Maru* on March 11th, accompanied by Lady James, who has just arrived back in Singapore from home on Tuesday.

Mr. W. A. H. Moule, one of the most popular members of the Shanghai Cricket Club, was to be entertained by the Club at a farewell dinner last night and presented with a "loving cup." Mr. Moule is leaving for Home shortly, and is not expected to return to the East. Mr. Moule has been in China since 1888, a sojourn of thirty-five years.

The s.s. *Sun Tak*, a Chinese-owned steamer, some 250 feet in length and with a registered tonnage of 1,680 tons, which went ashore during the typhoon in last August off Green Island, was offered for sale yesterday afternoon at Messrs. Lammert's auction room. The steamer was not sold, the highest offer being $20,000, which was far short of the reserve price.

RIVER STEAMER ASHORE.

PASSENGERS AND CREW SAFE.

The s.s. *Heungshan*, belonging to the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., early yesterday morning ran ashore near Junk Rock, which is twelve miles below Canton. All passengers were transferred to the s.s. *Kwangsi* without difficulty and taken to Canton.

According to the first message received regarding the mishap, the *Heungshan* was badly damaged, but was afloat and on her way to Canton accompanied by two tugs.

The *Heungshan* is one of the oldest and best known river steamers on the Canton run and is commanded by Capt. R. D. Thomas.

Later enquiries at the local office elicited the information that the *Heungshan* was not damaged so badly as at first believed.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS IN MANILA.

MANILA, February 29th.

An earthquake, intensity 4, and at Baguio intensity 5, was registered at 10 p.m. last night. Ashes and dust, supposedly from a volcano in the Loochoo Islands fell on Batanes Islands yesterday (February 28).

ACCIDENT TO STEAMER "GORJISTAN."

SAIGON, February 28th.

The British steamer *Gorjistan*, bound from Rangoon to China, reached this port with a valve burst. Repairs will probably occupy a fortnight.

CHINESE MILITARISTS QUARREL.

TWO OFFICERS ASSASSINATED.

PEKING, February 29th.

A Chungking telegram says that Chinese newspapers report that Tang Chi Yu, Tang Chi Yao's brother, who ruled Kweichow, has been assassinated. Szechuan newspapers hint that the assassination was the work of Liu Shen Chi's agent, but go on to explain that Tang wanted to send reinforcements to assist Hsiung Keh Wu, to which the Kweichow leaders objected. Thereupon, Tang Chi Yu shot and killed a Kweichow officer, and was subsequently murdered.

Corroboration of the report is unobtainable at Peking.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GERMANY AND THE REPARATIONS QUESTION.

FRENCH PRESS COMMENT ON CHANCELLOR'S SPEECH.

PARIS, February 28th.

Commenting on Herr Stresemann's speech in the Reichstag, yesterday, in which he declared that Germany was prepared to discuss the reparations question, although he did not want to disturb the present negotiations of the Committee of Experts, but it was the duty of the German Government to undertake anything designed to render an attempt at settlement successful, the *Petit Parisien* characterises the speech as a perfidious and astute invitation to the experts to espouse Germany's cause. If the speech is to be taken as a new orientation of German policy, the Reich must prove it by facts.

The *Echo de Paris* disclaims Herr Stresemann's interpretation of France's waiting attitude, and says that France is ready to agree to big sacrifices for a general settlement, but is in nowise prepared to break the instrument she has armed herself with unless assured it will not be necessary to use it in the future.

EARLIER CABLES.

GERMANY AND L.O.N.

FULL MEMBERSHIP A CONDITION OF GERMAN ENTRY.

BERLIN, February 28th.

In view of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's recent statement, it is noteworthy that the Foreign Minister, Herr Stresemann, in a speech in the Reichstag declared the Government had not rejected in principle the idea of entering the League of Nations, but had not received any invitation from the responsible quarter. He further stressed the necessity of a guarantee of full and unconditional membership of the League being extended to Germany, including membership of the Council.

BAVARIAN CONSTITUTION NOT AFFECTED BY DECREE.

LATER.

Herr Ebert's decree, will not be fully applied to Bavaria, which will retain its special decrees against forcible alteration of the Constitution.

BURNLEY BYE-ELECTION.

HOME SECRETARY WINS SEAT.

LONDON, February 28th.

At the Burnley bye-election, Mr. Arthur Henderson polled 24,571 and Mr. Camps 17,534.

[Mr. Arthur Henderson unsuccessfully contested Newcastle-upon-Tyne (East) at the last general election, being defeated by the Liberal, Sir R. W. Aske, by a majority of 1,124. This was a Liberal gain from the Labourites. The Burnley bye-election was due to the death of the Labour member, Mr. D. Irving, who had held the seat for some years. Mr. H. E. J. Camps has repeatedly tried to win the seat for the Unionists. At the recent election Mr. Irving defeated him by a majority of 2,652. It was then a three-cornered contest, there being also a Liberal candidate.]

OPENING OF CANADIAN PARLIAMENT.

POLICY OUTLINED.

OTTAWA, February 28th.

The Speech from the Throne on the opening of Canada's Parliament dwells on the evidences of increased prosperity, and the probability of an early start in debt reduction and relief of taxation. It forecasts much constructive legislation, notably tariff revision in the interests of the western farmers. Regarding the Imperial Conference decisions, the Speech merely states that a report of the proceedings will be presented to Parliament.

RETURNING TO NORMAL.

RESTRICTIONS REMOVED IN GERMANY.

BERLIN, February 28th.

President Ebert has decreed the raising of the military state of emergency and the removal of restrictions on personal liberty and the freedom of the Press. Public open-air meetings and processions are, however, prohibited.

IMPERIAL WIRELESS PROPOSALS.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

EMERGENCY STATE CONTROL ADVOCATED.

LONDON, February 28th.

The report of the Imperial Wireless Committee recommends that the Post Office should own and operate all the Empire wireless stations in Britain, alternatively an exception should be made in the case of Canada and the existing competition between the Post Office and Anglo-Canadian wireless should be continued subject to safeguarding the public interests in any licence granted the Anglo-Canadian service.

In any licence granted to a private company, the State must reserve the right to take possession or exercise control of the stations in any emergency. The Leafield station should be enlarged. The new high-power station now being built at Rugby should be extended to a sixteen mast station. A second new station of similar capacity should be erected without delay. Each high-power station should have a world range, and be equipped with the latest apparatus.

The Post Office should establish an improved business organisation. The present terminal wireless station at Cairo should be removed from the Empire system as soon as the requirements of the Admiralty be met by other stations, and the proposed new high power stations in India, South Africa and Australia be operating.

An expert wireless telegraphy commission should be requested to report on the extent and cost of a wireless system for the Colonies, to complete the Empire network of wireless communications.

Private enterprise should be given facilities to develop wireless communication outside the Empire, subject in the case of the Anglo-Continental services to the payment of royalties or otherwise, in view of the competition between wireless and State-owned cables. There should be free competition in foreign wireless, subject to the State reserving the right to expropriate, or take possession or assume control in the case of a national emergency.

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL TRAGEDY.

LONDON, February 28th.

The inquest on the victims of the Westminster Cathedral tragedy resulted in a verdict of suicide. The administration of the Cathedral said the tower would be closed till the balcony was enclosed, so as to make a fall impossible.

MUNICH TREASON TRIAL.

MUNICH, February 28th.

Except for an hour, the proceedings against Ludendorff and Hitler were today tried *in camera*. It is anticipated that there will be very few public sittings.

EARLIER CABLES.

[*REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.*]

U.S. SHIPPING BOARD FLEET FOR SALE.

WASHINGTON, February 28th.

The United States Shipping Board has invited bids by March 4th for the entire fleet of 1,335 vessels, of which approximately 423 are operating. The Board will fix the minimum price after valuation, instead of the former terms of a minimum of thirty dollars per ton.

LATER.

The vessels to be sold include the *Leviathan* and her big sister ships.

SUGGESTED MODIFICATION OF PROHIBITION.

WASHINGTON, February 28th.

Forty members of the House of Representatives have announced their intention to introduce a Bill next week to legalize the manufacture and sale of beverages of an alcoholic content of 2.75 per cent. by volume.

U.S. IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION.

WASHINGTON, February 28th.

The Senate emigration committee has decided to recommend the retention of the census of 1910 as the base for allocation of immigration quotas, but favour reducing the percentage admitted from three to two per cent. of the 1910 total.

SCOTTISH LETTER.

GOLF IN FAR EAST.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

EDINBURGH, January 16th.

Even normal golf in the Far East, with its sunbaked clay greens, is a long way behind our home advantages, but we can hardly rival it in its variety of adventure. From a letter which has reached Edinburgh (according to the *Scotsman*) we take this glimpse of a round at Canton during the troubles there some weeks ago:—"Our boat back to Hongkong" (says the writer) "went at five o'clock on Sunday, so the C—s took us to lunch at the golf course, and when we arrived rifle fire was very loud. Wounded were lying about under the trees, and we found that the battle was only four miles off up the line. On the golf course stretcher-bearers were going round picking up the wounded, and the Europeans were just calmly waiting on the tees for them to get out of the way, so as to go on playing. The secretary of the G. C. had discovered a Chinese buried very tightly in a bunker, and had to be very firm about getting him removed. Coolie women were being used to carry ammunition up to the firing-line. If they refused they were shot, and if they asked too much money at the other end—they were shot."

There are certainly some unnatural hazards in Chinese golf. That buried Chinaman is like an echo from the sketch-book of the late Tom Browne, who in his Eastern tour immortalised the course at Tientsin, which, as it happened, was laid out on the site of an ancient graveyard. Apparently the Chinese graves consisted of raised mounds, and sometimes after heavy rain the earth covering would break and expose the coffins. The ball darted at all angles from these mounds, which introduced a considerable flukiness into the play; and yet Mr. Henry Leach has recorded that those who knew best regarded them as excellent hazards. At Tientsin they had, and may still have, a local rule that permitted a ball lying in an open grave to be picked out and dropped without penalty.

WHAT GOLF COURSES COST.

The Far East appears to be making great advances in golf. The possibilities of the Japanese in relation to golf skill have been more than once the subject of comment. There is news of a notable enterprise at Osaka, where a course is to be constructed at a cost of something like £65,000, which is one of the most striking schemes of recent times and it certainly signifies the prospects as well as the progress of the games in that part of the globe. The Japanese courses at Yokohama and Rokkosan, near Kobe, are fairly well known. The former is on more or less orthodox lines, but the Rokkosan course has attracted attention because of its situation and characteristics. It provides golf on the heights. The course is laid out on the hills, and is over 3,000 feet above sea-level. Osaka, when complete, should command notice, for the sum involved in its construction is a hand-some one. It rivals some of the biggest schemes so far embarked upon, though it does not touch the figure at which some of the American enterprises have been put through. The Westchester-Biltmore course was recorded as "a six-million dollar" proposition, and it ranks among America's largest promotions. The famous National Links on Long Island, upon which have been grafted the features of some of the renowned British holes, must have cost more than the Osaka course, and the taste in gorgeous clubhouses which appears to be part of American enthusiasm, will account for still more expensive courses. Possibly Gleneagles represents the maximum expression of constructional finance in this country. Site and nature of ground are factors that rule the bill, and some of the southern courses that were cut out of woods would cost no less than £20,000. Modern figures make a speaking contrast with those of thirty years ago. Now-a-days a single green sometimes costs as much as the whole layout did then.

PRINCE CHARLIE ON THE FILM.

The wealth of romance in the meteoric career of the Young Pretender was bound to tempt the film producer sooner or later, and the Gaumont Company has just produced a version which should prove a great success. It is far too long, however. Two and a half hours of "movies" is apt to try the patience of any but the extremely enthusiastic. At the same time the picture is splendidly done, and to those who do not know the Highlands or the history of the Prince it will no doubt be as charming throughout as any other picture drama. There are anachronisms, such as stained-glass windows in Highland kirks and modern surfaced roads, which did not exist at the time of the "45." One of the best scenes was the Battle of Culloden—much more convincing than the majority of film fights. One must accept from the first that the film does not pretend to be historical, but merely based on legend and song. From that point of view it is a capital entertainment, despite its length. The unfinished love story of Prince Charlie and Flora Macdonald is worked out with considerable skill, and every ounce of its pathos is taken advantage of. It is seldom one sees a picture personnel reaching such an all-round level of excellence. Heralded by a piper, and accompanied orchestrally by old Scots airs, the picture is given every chance of atmosphere.

A BANKOK ESTATE.

The late Robert Bird Robertson Mair, of Bangkok, Siam, and latterly of Knowehead, Crieff, has left estate of the value of £7,663.

LIVING POETRY.

A well-known American poet, Mr. Vachel Lindsay, has attained conspicuousness among his fellow bards by reviving the traditions of the old minstrels and going round the country earning his keep by giving recitations of his own verses. Whether the practice will ever revive throughout Europe is doubtful, but something like it has long been familiar in certain bohemian cafes in Continental capitals, where poets, often of no mean order, recite their own poems or sing their own songs, just as the troubadors and trouveres and minnesingers of the Middle Ages used to do in feudal halls or in market places. The tradition is a reminder that poetry was originally meant to be spoken or sung. Departure from that tradition, Mr. Masefield pointed out some time ago in an address delivered in Edinburgh, was the main reason for the weakening of the popular hold of poetry and for its consequent decadence. Poetry, he said, is no longer addressed to the living imagination or the human heart, but "to the reflective understanding of those who have leisure to think and buy books." Poetry is a human necessity, and it cannot regain its power until the art and practice of speaking poetry are revived. Mr. Masefield's address has led to the formation of the Scottish Association for the Speaking of Verse, which is to be formally constituted at a meeting in Edinburgh. The association is to be representative of all Scotland, and branch associations are to be formed, with the particular object of promoting the use and appreciation of spoken verse and the teaching of fine speech as a part of education. The association thus appeals both to verse-writers and to educationists, and its aims are in line with the potential capacities of the Scots people as beautiful speakers, and also with the urgent and widely recognised need for a strong movement to guard England against degradation and disintegration.

WILLIE FERNIE'S RETIREMENT.

Willie Fernie's retirement from his post with the Troon Club, dates a long life spent in the service of the game. His name recalls famous days, for he was the playing contemporary of notable golfers who have passed into the shades and are only names to the new generation. Like many another good golfer, he belongs to St. Andrews, where, with his father's skill on the links as sample and incentive, he took to the game as a duck takes to water, and as an amateur he was for half-a-dozen years one of the scratch heroes of the famous St. Andrew's artisan club. In those early days he achieved distinction by winning a tournament prize after tieing for it with David Strath. His first professional engagement was at Dumfries, with which club is associated his only Open Championship success. That landmark in his career goes back to 1883, when he beat Bob Ferguson at Musselburgh after a tie. Fernie was, therefore, a figure in the tournament and match rivalries of his day, and against his name stands the extraordinary record of having attained second place in the Championship on no fewer than five occasions. For over thirty years he has been at Troon, and so brightly did the flame of an old enthusiasm burn up last summer that when his old battleground, the Open Championship, shifted for the first time to the old course there, he could not stand aside. Making light of his 65 years, he struck off in the great international contest, which has so remarkably outgrown the meetings of his prime, and in that he realised a last ambition; while in the same event he had the pride and satisfaction of seeing his son, Tom, produce the best performance of his career. Willie Fernie's name is being carried further into the story of the game by his family, in whose keeping an honourable reputation is safe.

TRAINING FOR FOOTBALL.

There is one particular aspect of the cup tie season which is ever green,—the question of special training. Only a few seasons ago many Scottish Clubs about this time of the year were to be found at some favoured seaside or inland resort doing special training. This year the Rangers are the only Club who have taken their players to surroundings other than their own enclosure. It is perhaps not so much because Ibrox believes in these cup tie preparations, but because they are the only Club who can afford to do so. Others may follow suit later on in the competition; meanwhile Scottish League Clubs, with the one exception, are training at home. In England the majority of the leading Clubs are enjoying brine baths, &c., but the wherewithal is much more plentiful down South than on this side of the Border.

The actual details of special training are vastly different throughout the country; no two Club systems are exactly alike. Some trainers are of opinion that an extra spurt must be put on, and that additional exercises and careful diets are necessary for the gruelling ties, while others are content to persevere with the usual routine. A spell at the seaside is of undoubted value. New surroundings and a change of air work wonders upon players who have come through a heavy League programme. It is also worthy of note that many leading footballers are enthusiastic golfers; and that managers and trainers regard the pastime with favour.

In England some clubs give their teams blackboard lectures when training at the seaside, but this habit is practically unknown in Scotland. The nearest approach to it on this side of the Border happened a few months ago, when the Third Lanark Directors (at the time in a poor position in the League) held informal conferences with their players to discuss how their game could be improved. The blackboard method is theoretical, and it is doubtful if players will remember anything about those lectures in the midst of a tense cup tie contest.

LACROSSE GIRLS.

On a snow-white field at Anniesland, Glasgow, a spirited game of lacrosse was played by teams of girls representing England and Scotland. In Canada men make a lousy game of it, but it has never caught on in this country, even although the head-masters of some of our leading public schools, deploring the casualties that attend Rugby, made strenuous attempts to foster it. In this girls' international England romped home with great ease, though Scotland's representatives had some bright moments that made supporters forget icy winds. The old deep-toned cheer "Scotland!" had a soprano accompaniment that did not die even when England's goals totalled twenty-four to 0. The crowd was largely made up of pretty school-girls who had obviously handled the implements of the sport themselves. They knew the technique. They had the jargon. But we who were fresh to it were apt with our applause since the game is easy to understand. As a spectacle it catches the eye by elements of speed, grace, ceaseless movement, vitality. The players carry a sort of hockey stick with a net to it. They wear a gymnastic frock with long stockings and light shoes. The goals are small, as in hockey, but they are set with a space behind them into which play can pass. When the

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LABOUR'S RULE.

THE EMPIRE AND INTERNATIONALISM.

Mr. Philip Snowden, M.P., writing in the London *Morning Post* says many people who have confidence in the Labour Party to manage domestic matters have grave doubts about the ability of a Labour Government to run the Empire and to conduct international affairs.

This misgiving is due to several causes. The Labour Party is supposed to have no strong affection for the Empire, which it regards as the product of commercial greed and Imperialist ambitions. In foreign affairs it is considered to be anti-national, or at the best non-national. It is feared that a Labour Government would sacrifice the interests of the Empire and of the nation to its ideal of internationalism. The close association of the British Labour party with the working-class movements in other countries is looked upon with suspicion. It is alleged that the foreign policy of a Labour Government would be dictated by some Continental Socialist Bureau, which, with Machiavelian intent, would beguile the Labour Government into a betrayal of British interests.

These fears and misgivings are quite without substantial foundation. The answer is surely to be found in the fact that the vast majority of the Labour Party, at the outbreak of war, forgot their internationalism when they were told that the country was in danger, and became the most patriotic of British citizens. And the minority which opposed the war did so because they believed, and never have men been more abundantly justified by events, that this country had been dragged into war by the cunning machinations of foreign militarists and diplomats. They were none the less patriotic because they believed that Great Britain was engaged in an unnecessary war which served no national interest, and which was bound to bring nothing but disaster. A Labour Government would be as jealous of national honour, as keenly alive to the great possibilities of Empire development, and as determined to promote good international relations as any British Government of the past. It might, and I hope it would, adopt different methods to attain these objects.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF EMPIRE.

The British Empire is a fact. We have our views about the way in which it has been built up. But it is a fact, and having incurred the responsibility we cannot lightly cast it off; indeed, we cannot cast it off at all. It would be a backward step to take any action which would weaken or break the ties which now bind Great Britain and the self-governing Dominions together. But the advantage to the British Empire, and to the world, of the maintenance of the federation of the British Empire depends upon the spirit which animates the federation and upon its attitude to the rest of the world. If the Anglo-Saxon Empire be animated by the idea of Britain against the world, then nothing but evil can come from such a federation. But if, on the contrary, the policy of the British Empire be one of friendliness and co-operation with the rest of the world, if the British Empire uses its great position and power, not for exclusiveness and domination, but to help the world, then it can be the greatest instrument for world progress which has ever been created. That is the only worthy destiny of the British people.

The problem of the non-Anglo-Saxon dependencies presents many difficulties. But if British administration of these dependencies be conducted in the spirit of conferring benefits upon their fellow subjects rather than in exploiting them for our own advantage; if our policy be directed to training these populations to become self-governing communities within a great commonwealth, then our Government may be justified by the good that it has done. So long as a spirit of Imperialism dominates the Great Powers the withdrawal of British Government from dependencies like India and the Crown Colonies will not leave these dependencies in the possession of self-government, but will leave them a prey to the predatory designs of other Powers.

It is to the mutual advantage of Great Britain and the Dominions that the resources of the latter should be developed. But tariffs will hinder, not advance, development, any more than a tariff wall between the countries of Great Britain would help their trade and commerce. We can help the Dominions best by giving them a willing population which will become the customers for the manufactures of Great Britain. I cannot enter into that profound and menacing problem now, but I am convinced that when the resources of Great Britain have been developed to the utmost it will be necessary to distribute the population over the less populated parts of the Anglo-Saxon countries.

I do not wish it to be understood that what I have just written expressed the settled policy of the Labour Party on Empire emigration. But I do know it is the view of those members of the

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game starts, the twelve players on each side are not ranged in opposing armies, in the football style. They are spread over the field since "offside" does not appear to exist. An attacking player is stationed right beside the anxious "goalie" all the time. A defender is at hand to mark the danger. Each of the twelve players is similarly beside an opponent. The ball is caught and flung with fine accuracy, caught in the air, and passed again. Rapidity is the crowning essential. The girls in the Anniesland snow ran "like whippets" as an astonished workman said. There was scheming in it, trickery of eluding an opponent and making an opening. Slam went the ball into the goal net. Or if it fell behind it, any player could hunt it up and return it into play without the delay of a "goal kick." A fast, jolly, thrilling game, well worth watching, with long swinging spectacular passes, pretty running, and breathless skirmishes in front of goal.

Labour Party who have had the advantage of studying the problem in the Colonies, and it is policy which will be forced upon a British Labour Government. By the time we have such a Government here it is more than probable that there will be Labour Government in all the Dominions, and co-operations will then be easy.

INTERNATIONAL POLICY.

I turn now to briefly define Labour's attitude to international affairs. That can only be stated in general terms, and not in relation to the grave problems which face Europe to-day. These will either be temporarily settled, or Europe will be reduced to chaos before a Labour Government has the responsibility for conducting foreign affairs.

The internationalism of the Labour Party is a not a sloppy cosmopolitanism. The very term "internationalism" implies the existence of nations. The Labour Party's internationalism means the friendly co-operation of nations for the settlement of common problems. The present international affiliations of the British Labour Party are with the organised working-class movements of other countries. The Socialist International has three main objects—first, to raise working conditions in the more backward countries; second, to combat international capitalism and Imperialism; and third, to prevent war and to promote the conditions of peace. The Socialist International from its inception has been trying to do the work which the International Labour Department of the League of Nations, and the League of Nations itself, were ostensibly created to do.

The foreign policy of a Labour Government would conform to its democratic principles. Its diplomacy would be open and honest. It would not, as Governments have done in the past, make secret alliances and secret treaties, and then ask Parliament to approve them when their fulfilment was demanded. "Open covenants openly arrived at" would be its policy. If Parliament and the country were fully informed on foreign affairs, they would never blindly support a war. Foreknowledge would almost make war an impossibility.

A Labour Government's close association with the working class organisations in other countries would help the mobilisation of working class forces in countries which might be threatened with war. The League of Nations will have an ardent supporter in a Labour Government. But it will seek to give the League a democratic character, and to make it the instrument for expressing the will of the peoples, and not merely the decrees of Foreign Offices. Its policy would be to oppose all oppression of racial and religious minorities, and to secure for them the right of self-determination in all matters directly concerning themselves. Believing that permanent peace can only result from general disarmament by land, sea, and air, a Labour Government would work for an international agreement for the general reduction of armaments, leading to universal disarmament. A recent declaration of the Socialist International very wisely said: "One-sided disarmament increases the danger of imperialist aggression; general disarmament abolishes this danger." That, I think, expresses what would be the policy of a Labour Government on this matter. However much a Labour Government might be opposed to war, and to expenditure on armaments, it could not abolish the means of national defence, except by international agreement. But there is all the difference in the world between that and a provocative policy of increasing armaments.

PROTECTION AND WAR.

Two other points in the foreign policy of Labour may be mentioned. Believing that Protection breeds ill will between nations, and is often a cause of war it stands for Free Trade, and in this is supported by the working class organisations in the Continental countries. It is also opposed to military alliances, which, as the Great War proved, transform local conflicts into general wars.

The fear that some people, otherwise sympathetic to the Labour Party, have that a Labour Government would fail in international affairs, is, I repeat, unfounded. I assert with confidence that there is no party in this country which is so well informed on foreign affairs, which has taken so much trouble to inform itself by actual contact with international problems in other countries, whose sources of first-hand information on foreign opinion and foreign conditions are so complete, and which has given so much proof of all this in recent years by the publication of elaborate memoranda on these subjects.

A Labour Government keenly interested in the welfare of the masses in this country, and knowing that their welfare depends upon trade prosperity, and knowing that trade prosperity depends upon the preservation of world peace, could not be otherwise than deeply concerned in a pacific settlement of international differences. But the mere will to peace will never ensure peace. Therefore, a Labour Government would do everything one State could do to remove the causes of war, and to establish machinery for the peaceful settlement of such quarrels as have so often deluged the world in blood.

This series of articles is only a very sketchy outline of the probable policy of a Labour Government. I am well aware how many points have been left somewhat obscure, and how many questions which have not been answered will arise to the minds of my readers. But in a very limited space I have attempted to deal with the most profound matters which face this country and humanity.

Opening the Scientific Novelties exhibition at King's College, Strand, Dr. A. Russell, president of the Institute of Electrical Engineers, expressed the view that more should be done by the nation to attract clever boys into the scientific and engineering professions. No nation could continue in the front rank if it neglected the application of science to industry.

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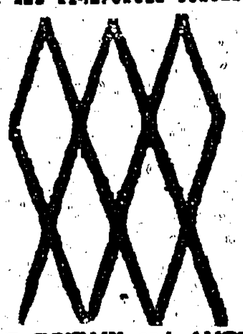

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DINNER TO WOMEN M.Ps.

THE HAT IN PARLIAMENT.

A complimentary dinner was given to the women members of Parliament by the Women's Election Committee at Frascati's on January 10th. The Election Committee is a body of ladies formed to assist or run women Parliamentary candidates of all the recognised political parties, as well as independent candidates, provided that they comply with certain conditions as to principles and objects. Of the eight women M.Ps., Miss Susan Lawrence, one of the Socialist members, was the only absentee. The seven present were Viscountess Astor, Mrs. Wintringham, Miss Margaret Bonfield, the Duchess of Atholl, Lady Terrington, Mrs. Phillipson, and Miss Dorothy Jewson—three representing the Conservative party, two the Liberal party, and two the Socialist party. Each of these ladies was presented with a posy of violets, and Mrs. Phillipson mentioned in the course of her speech that "Nellie," a Piccadilly flower girl, had sent her a gift of lilies. "Nellie," she explained, was well known to her, and once, when she was appearing in a stage sketch and wanted to secure the necessary atmosphere, presented her with her own flower girl's hat and basket. There were about 250 guests, and Dr. Christine Murrell presided.

The Chairman, proposing "Our Guests, the Women Members of Parliament," said this gathering was evidence of the increasing comradeship between men and women. When these two worked together public life would become as complete as it possibly could be. She congratulated all the women candidates, those who failed equally with those who were successful, on their courage in entering the contests, and, in particular those who were elected on becoming members of the mother of Parliaments, with such tremendous opportunities before them. What was going to happen? Only a very unwise person would attempt to forecast. But some things they could see ahead. The terrors of the melancholy prophets had not been fulfilled—(cheers)—these ladies were true women, an adornment to womanhood. (Cheers.) She had a premonition that they would be loyal party women, and yet would take the trouble to see things from each other's point of view. Possibly, also, they would, as a body, and being so few, be in a little closer touch with each other than the men members of Parliament were. She was certain they would tend to see eye to eye on many urgent matters of domestic legislation, especially housing. (Cheers.) It was a remarkable thing to recall that less than twenty years ago no woman attempted even to present a petition at the bar of the House. (Cheers).

Viscountess Astor, the first to respond, having paid tribute to the pioneers of the women's movement, said she welcomed the new women members. A member once said to her, "Some day you will not have all your own way," as though anybody wanted it. (Laughter.) No doubt all the women members would not think alike. Why should they? Men did not all think alike. (Cheers and laughter.) There were as many disagreeable men as disagreeable women. (Laughter.) But she hoped and prayed that on the great fundamental things that were important, not merely to this country but to all countries, they would see eye to eye. It would be their business to bring religious and moral questions before the House. They would answer the prayer, "Oh, Lord deliver us from pride, prejudice, and partial affection." The House constantly prayed for that, but did not seem to get an answer. (Laughter.) She hoped the women members in the House would show the men that they could stick together as well as they could. (Cheers.) The one thing they would need was an unfailing sense of humour. They would certainly get fair play. She, as one who was not wanted in the House, had got that, and she was proud of being a member of the House. (Cheers).

Mrs. Wintringham, also responding, testified that Lady Astor had broken down an enormous amount of prejudice. Members of Parliament used to ask of the woman member, "What is she like?" and to answer, "Oh, not much to look at." (Laughter.) They also used to ask, "What will she wear?" We should soon get over the day when questions like those would be asked, and people would want to know what the women thought and meant to accomplish. (Hear, hear.) The new House would be a curious House—a House of causes rather than caucuses. No party had a clear mandate, and the women were bound to unite in order to try and get legislation passed. (Cheers.)

Mrs. Phillipson said, although they were of different parties, they represented the spirit of good fellowship, which was much needed.

WOMEN AND SOCIAL CHANGES.

Miss Bondfield said, although she and her colleagues had secured election, there were still lots of battles for the pioneers of the women's movement to fight. They wanted in Parliament women of personality, quality, character. In the "seventies" a great many women of necessity could only show a very narrow view of public matters, but social development had changed that. She trusted that in this House members would have a greater opportunity of helping to mould the policy of the Government than they had been accustomed to. (Hear, hear.) There was everything to gain from the fact that women had come into full citizenship. Great Britain could set an example to the whole world in effecting fundamental social changes without violence and bloodshed. (Cheers.)

The Duchess of Atholl said the women members had been asked to state what legislation they proposed to introduce. They might respond with varying frankness. One ambition she would try to achieve was to do her work in the House with her head uncovered. (Laughter.) She was ready to bow to the teaching of St. Paul in that matter when she entered a place of worship; but in the House of Commons she was prepared only to recognise the authority of the Speaker and the rules of the House. (Cheers.)

Viscountess Astor, interposing with reference to this matter, said when she first entered the House she discovered that had she gone uncovered she would have shocked most of the members as much as if Lady Godiva had appeared. (Laughter.) She thought it was not well to give them more than they could stand, so she remained covered. (Laughter.) She would never forget one night when going through the lobby without a hat, about twenty members remarking, "Please don't do it again." She was delighted that the Duchess had introduced the practice of going hatless, and she should follow suit when she could keep her hair in order. (Laughter.)

Lady Terrington asked what would happen to a member without a hat when a point of order was raised. Would they be expected to keep their hats beneath the benches? (Laughter.) The speaker went on to say the women members had come to stay; they were no longer the "might be's." (Cheers.) Speaking of housing, she stated that she had been asked to become a director in two housing schemes. (Cheers.)

Miss Jewson, who described herself as "an old Suffragette," expressed her distaste for many of the formalities of the House as causing great waste of time when there was important work to be done, such as the passing of the Guardianship of Infants Bill and the Separation and Maintenance Bill, upon which she hoped all the women members, irrespective of parties, were united. (Cheers.)

Mr. T. P. O'Connor, proposing "The Women's Election Committee," said that when he first entered Parliament every member wore his hat. Now there were only two besides himself who consistently did so. He would advise the women members not to be extravagant in respect of speeches. He lived on one speech on Ireland for forty years. (Laughter.) He was glad the women members represented different parties. There was plenty of work for them to do. We wanted plenty of social legislation. (Cheers.)

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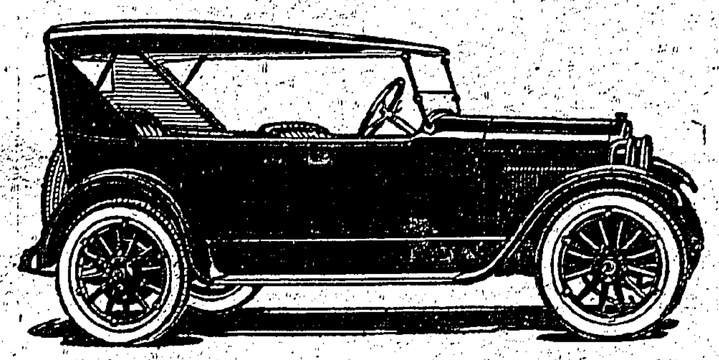

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There was a wild outburst, resulting in the forcible ejection of a Communist, at the annual conference at Edinburgh, on January 5th, of the Scottish Division of the Independent Labour party. The predominant note of the conference was one of confidence in the future, based on the successes of the immediate past. Mr. W. H. Martin, M.P. for Dunbartonshire, presided, and several other Scottish members of Parliament were present among the 120 odd delegates.

Mr. James Maxton, M.P., made a characteristic contribution to the debates. It was during a discussion on old-age pensions and a demand for the abolition of the means qualification, the reduction of the age from 70 to 65, and the increase of the pension from 10s. to £1. Where is the money to come from? one naturally asks, as one asks about all the drastic reforms which Labour may introduce. Mr. Maxton has no difficulty on that particular score. He made a remarkable figure as he stood there, his long black hair falling over his sunken cheeks, reminding the conference that the first thing a Labour Government had to do was to take from the rich and give to the poor the opportunity of living. "That," he said, "is our central proposition. The Labour party must take from the wealthy people in this country money which is available to satisfy this very moderate and reasonable demand for the aged people in our land."

In the morning the chairman reviewed the results of the election, and in a confident note pointed out that if Scotland had Home Rule the Red Flag of Socialism would be flying over the parliament house.

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Per s.s. *Nimsang*, on February 29th:—Messrs. G. S. Suther, F. Hobson, R. Bon, A. M. Turner, H. W. Logan, C. C. Bowen, Mrs. A. T. Beerstadt, Messrs. J. Taggart and Goodman.

Per s.s. *Oldenburg*, on February 29th: Mr. Alb. Koidel, Mr. B. Petrich, Mr. B. Vinigh, Mr. W. Hablinzel, Mrs. J. Hablinzel, Mr. G. Hablinzel, Mr. H. Spech, Mr. C. A. Goldenberg, Mr. J. G. Connor.

Per N.D.L. s.s. *Derfflinger*, on Feb. 29th:—Mrs. G. Bannermann, Mr. P. Bannermann, Mr. H. Bannermann, Mr. W. Schnetz, Mr. W. Bollmann, Mr. P. Hill, Mr. R. Montserrat, Mrs. M. Montserrat, Mr. and Mrs. Weller, Miss Hess, Miss Grebner, Miss Fungh, Miss Hetzler, Miss F. Haas.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Australia* left Kobe on February 28th at 4 p.m., and was due at Yokohama at 3 p.m. yesterday.

The E. & A. Co.'s s.s. *Eastern* left Moji for this port on the 28th., and is due here on the afternoon of March 3rd.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Achilles (Blue Funnel), due to-day.
Altai Maru (O.S.K.), due March 1st.
Amazone (M.M.), due March 11th.
Dr. Pierre Benoit (M.M.), due to-day.
Ginyo Maru (T.K.K.), due March 4th.
Hakozaki Maru (N.Y.K.), due March 4th.
Kamo Maru (N.Y.K.), due March 11th.
Machaon (Blue Funnel), due March 14th.
Neleus (Blue Funnel), due March 22nd.
President Grant (Admiral Oriental), due March 3rd.
President Hayes (Dollar Line), due March 7th.
Colin H. Livingston (Admiral Oriental), due March 2nd.
President Madison (Admiral Oriental), due March 6th.
Rhesus (Blue Funnel Line), due March 31st.
Sarpedon (Blue Funnel), due March 18th.
Troilus (Blue Funnel), due March 7th
Victoria (China-Australia), due March 7th.
Yamagata Maru (N.Y.K.), due March 4th.
Yoshino Maru (N.Y.K.), due March 12th.

SHIPPING NOTES.

A report has been received from Samshui to the effect that a junk loaded with timber and partly submerged is lying ashore on the flat rocks some three miles distant from Hak Hing City on the West River.

HARBOUR BORINGS.

OPERATIONS AT WEST POINT.

A notice has been issued by the Harbour Master of Hongkong (Lieut.-Com. Conway Hake, R.N.R.), that borings will take place of the harbour bed at distances of 200 to 600 feet from the Praya Wall from Queen Victoria Street to Kennedy Town. One or two junks will take part in the work and these junks can be distinguished by the flying of a red flag over a black ball during the day two red lights in a vertical line, during the hours of darkness.

A PLEASANT GAME OF TENNIS

SUZANNE MAKES A SCENE.

London, January 30th.—According to the Cannes correspondent of the *Daily Express*, Mdlle. Lenglen created a scene during the progress of the match in the Ladies' Doubles final.

The French player was partnered by Miss Ryan against Mrs. Covell and Mrs. Shepherd Barron, the Indian player, and she refused to accept the English umpire's footfault decision.

Mdlle. Lenglen, in tears, walked towards her mother, and only returned to the court when the English umpire resigned. Mdlle. Lenglen remarking "The English are pigs."

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SAIGON	"TAISANG"	Monday,	3rd Mar., Noon.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"YATSHING"	Tuesday,	4th Mar., 7 a.m.
BANGKOK via SWATOW	"HOPSANG"	Tuesday,	4th Mar., 10 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"LOKSANG"	Wednesday,	5th Mar., 7 a.m.
TIENTSIN	"CHIPHING"	Wednesday,	5th Mar., Noon.
KOBE via MOJI	"FOOKSANG"	Thursday,	6th Mar., Noon.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"ESANG"	Friday,	7th Mar., 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"KINGSING"	Sunday,	9th Mar., 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"FAUSANG"	Sunday,	9th Mar., 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"KWONGSANG"	Tuesday,	11th Mar., 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"HOSANG"	Thursday,	13th Mar., 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG"	Tuesday,	23rd Mar., 1 p.m.

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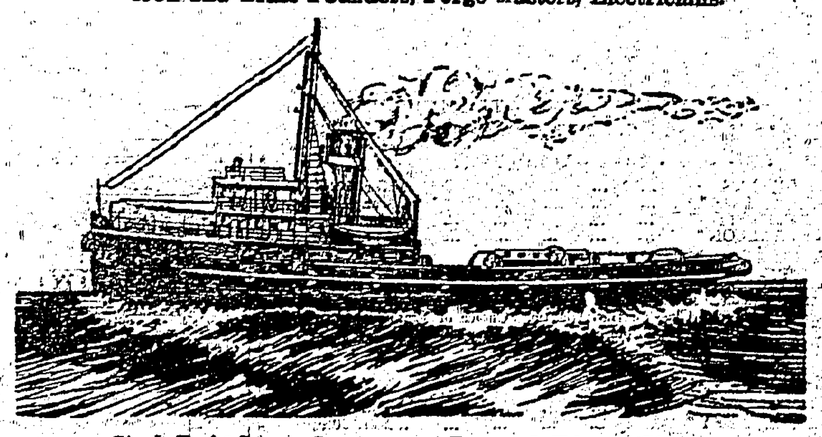

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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS.

February 29th.

Fookhong, Chinese str., 1,218 tons, Capt. E. Waitneck, from Saigon, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. C18.—Chung On S.S. Co.

Halvdan, Norwegian str., 761 tons, Capt. R. Helgesen, from Samarinda, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. C31.—Geo. Grimble & Co.

Hanoi, French str., 739 tons, Capt. F. L. Morvan, from Haiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C36.—M.M.

Hengda, Chinese str., 918 tons, Capt. H. Hisaduni, from Bangkok, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. C46.—Kwang Mei Seng.

Oldenburg, German str., 5,197 tons, Capt. F. Buch, from Hamburg, which port she left on January 1st, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf.—Arnhold Bros.

Produce, Norewgian str., 743 tons, Capt. E. Winsnes, from Haiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C16.—K. Larsen & Co.

Ravenrock, British str., 2,489 tons, Capt. T. P. Smith, from Antwerp, which port she left on January 3rd, with a general cargo lying at Kowloon wharf.—Bodiger & Co.

Rims, French str., 318 tons, Capt. A. Menanteau, from Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C14.—Tai Woo & Co.

Tatung, Chinese str., 2,100 tons, Capt. Kaneko, from Dairen and Weihaiwei, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C41.—Yue Tai Hong.

February 29th.

Chunsang, British str., 1,406 tons, Capt. C. R. More, from Sandakan, with a general cargo and timber, lying at Kowloon wharf.—J. M. & Co.

Derfflinger, German str., 4,984 tons, Capt. R. Wright, from Hamburg, which port she left on January 11th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf.—Melchers & Co.

Lokuing, British str., 979 tons, Capt. C. Alexandre, from Pukow, Shanghai, and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at West Point wharf.—J. M. & Co.

Muroran Maru, Japanese str., 3,251 tons, Capt. Y. Watanabe, from Yokohama and Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf.—N.Y.K.

Ramsang, British str., 4,035 tons, Capt. H. E. Gilroy, from Calcutta *via* Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf.—J. M. & Co.

Natal, Danish str., 2,675 tons, Capt. Roeder, from Antwerp and Colombo, the latter port she left on February 14th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf.—John Manners & Co.

CLEARANCES.

February 29th.

Anravellas, for Hongay.
Chunsang, for Shanghai.
Derfflinger, for Shanghai.
Haifoong, for Swatow.
Kulsang, for Singapore.
Les Fils de Paul, for Doumer and Hoihow
Muroran Maru, for Singapore.
Oldenberg, for Shanghai.
Sunli, for Singapore.
Tangistan, for Batavia.
Tingsang, for Swatow.
Tjimanock, for Banka.

CHURCH SERVICES.

"UNION" CHURCH (Kennedy Road).—Sunday Services: March 2nd.
Morning Service at 11 a.m.:—
Hymns: 34, 758, 303, 270.
Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk Maconachie.
Men's Meeting at 3.30 p.m.:—
Address by Miss A. E. Elliott of the Chinese Y.W.C.A.
Evening Service at 6 p.m.:—
Hymns: 145, 433, 532, 6?6.
Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk Maconachie. [1589

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST, MacDonnell Road (below Powen Road Tram Station).—Sunday, 11.15 a.m. Wednesday, 5.45 p.m. [193

WEATHER REPORT.

February 29th at 1700.—Pressure has decreased moderately at Chefoo, and, with few exceptions, has increased slightly elsewhere.

Fresh to moderate monsoon will prevail along the coast andover the north part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, 29th February, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 5.59 inches, against an average of 3.19 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, Mar. 1st is as follows:—

DISTRICT	FORECAST
Formosa Channel ...	N.E. winds, fresh.
Hongkong to Gap Rock	N.E. winds, moderate; cloudy with mist or drizzle.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks	do.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Haizan	do.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, February 29th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer —	30.00	30.02	30.04
Temperature ...	67	64	62
Humidity ...	88	97	93
Wind Direction	ESE	E	E
Force ..	2	5	3
Weather.. —	om	om	om
Rain — ...	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature on 28th .. 70
Lowest open-air Temperature on 29th .. 62

S.S. "PORTHOS."

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NOTICE.

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All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 7th March, 1924, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on Monday, the 3rd March, 1924, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. RODENFUSER,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1924. [411

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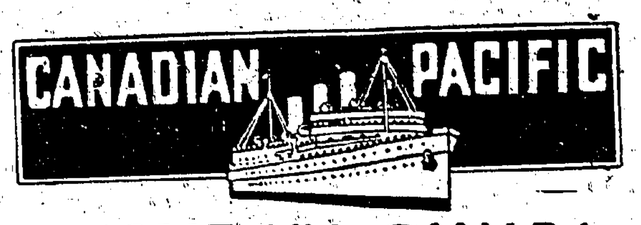

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SHINYO MARU	22,000 tons, Apr. 23rd (from S'hai.)
SIBERIA MARU	20,000 tons, May 5th, 1924.

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HONGKONG—MANILA

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HOKUSAN MARU ... ... Wednesday, 19th Mar.

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DELAGOA MARU ... ... Middle of March.

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TANGO MARU ... ... Wednesday, 19th Mar., at [11] a.m.
YOSHINO MARU ... ... Wednesday, 16th April.

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KANAGAWA MARU ... ... Second half of April.

BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo.
MURORAN MARU ... ... Saturday, 1st Mar.
LIMA MARU ... ... Monday, 10th Mar.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
YAMAGATA MARU ... ... Tuesday, 4th Mar.
WAKASA MARU ... ... Tuesday, 11th Mar.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
YOSHINO MARU ... ... Thursday, 13th Mar.

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YURI MARU ... ... Wednesday, 5th Mar.
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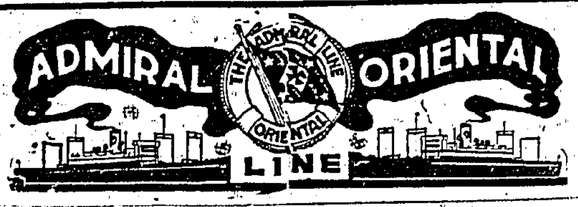

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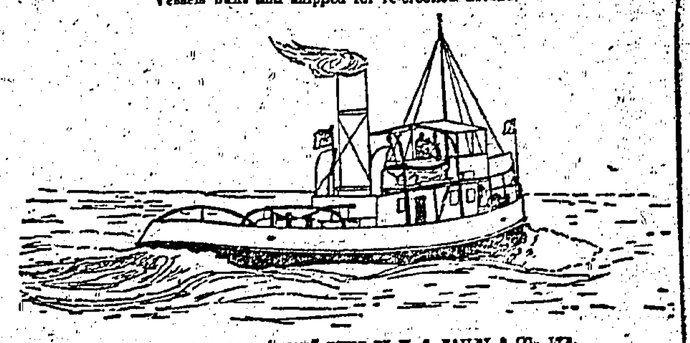

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SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"LIANGCHOW" ...	On 2nd Mar., 9 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"PAKHOI" ...	On 4th Mar., Noon.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KALGAN" ...	On 4th Mar., 2 p.m.
DALNY	"CHINKIANG" ...	On 4th Mar., 4 p.m.
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MANILA	"TAMING" ...	On 5th Mar., 2 p.m.
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SHANGHAI	"CHANGCHOW" ...	On 6th Mar., 4 p.m.
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*Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	*Muromura Maru*		10.30 A M
Formosa	*Canton Maru*		2.30 P M
Straits	*Antilochus*		2.30 P M
Shanghai	*Dr. P. Benoit*		2.30 P M
Saigon	*Produce*		3.30 P M
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	*Alipore*		3.30 P M
Amoy	*Kweiyang*		5.00 P M
Wei Hei Wei	*Ichang*		5.00 P M
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	*Hanoi*		5.00 P M
Japan	*Nanusang*		5.00 P M
Hoihow and Haiphong	*Leesang*	Sunday, 2nd,	8.30 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	*Amakusa Maru*		9.00 A M
Saigon, *Straits, Ceylon, India Mauritius E. and S. Africa, Aden Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 5th April.	*Angers*	Monday, 3rd. Registration	1.45 P M
		Letters	2.30 P M
*Saigon and Bangkok	*Busho Maru*		2.30 P M
Swatow	*Hydrangea*		2.30 P M
*Swatow and Bangkok	*Hopsang*	Tuesday, 4th,	8.30 A M
Manila	*Pres. Hayes*		8.30 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haiching*		Noon
Swatow and Bangkok	*Kaigan*		1.00 P M
Dairen	*Chinkiang*		2.30 P M
Amoy	*Kweichow*		2.30 P M
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		Letters	8.00 A M
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island.—due Thursday Island 13th March	*Eastern*	Parcels 4th Registration 5th, Letters	5.00 P M, 8.45 A M, 9.00 A M
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 5th April.	*Hakosaki Maru*	Wednesday, 5th. Registration	8.45 A M
		Letters	9.30 A M
Manila	*Taming*		1.00 P M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haihong*	Friday, 7th,	Noon

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On London.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	2/3⅞
Bank Bills, on demand	2/3 15/16
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	—
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/4⅛
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2/4 11/16
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/4 13/16
On Paris.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	1,205
Credits, 4 months' sight	1,203
On New York.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	50⅞
Credits, at 30 days' sight	51⅛
On Bombay.—	
Telegraphic Transfer / Bank Bills, on demand	168
On Calcutta.—	
Telegraphic Transfer / Bank Bills, on demand	168
On Shanghai.—	
Bank Bills, at sight / Private, 30 days' sight	nom.
On Yokohama.—On demand	111
On Manila.—On demand	98⅛
On Singapore.—On demand	99⅛
On Batavia.—On demand	137
On Haiphong.—On demand / On Saigon.—On demand	nom.
On Bangkok.—On demand	79⅛
Sovereign, Bank's Buying rate	$ 8.39
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, per tael	50.80
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For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,
A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager
Hongkong, 14th November, 1922. [28

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Paid-up Capital ... £2,000,000
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A. H. FERGUSON,
Manager.
Hongkong, May 8th, 1922. [31

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(Taiwan Ginko.)

Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Capital Subscribed .... Yen 60,000,000
Capital (Paid-up) ..... Yen 52,500,000
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